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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 2039

As Recommended by House Committee on <u>Judiciary</u>

Brief*

Sub. for HB 2039 provides that by July 1, 2004, individuals with an Internal Revenue Service taxpayer identification number who meet all other requirements of the bill can obtain a temporary resident driver's license. The temporary license, which expires in three years, will be a license to drive but will not be considered a form of identification. Those items that constitute proof of residency will include, but are not limited to, receipts for utility bills, marriage license, copy of a court order specifying a change of name, a school yearbook with a photograph of the person when the book is less than five years old, passport, alien registration documents, photo student identification card, photo employee identification card, birth certificate, or a copy of any federal or state income tax return with the signature of the person.

By January 15, 2004, the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles will present to the Legislature the distinguishable design of a temporary resident license.

The bill establishes a Drivers Education Fund. One dollar from each temporary resident license fee will go to the Fund which will be used to educate temporary resident license applicants regarding the laws of the United States and Kansas driving rules, vehicle ownership, titling, and insurance and to promote trust and cooperation with law enforcement.

Background

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.kslegislature.org/klrd

The sponsor of the original bill appeared in favor of the bill. Others who appeared in support of the bill, as drafted, included the Pittsburg Chief of Police; an official with the Department of Revenue, Division of Vehicles; and conferees who appeared on behalf of Sunflower Community Action, El Centro, Inc, the Kansas Hispanic Caucus, the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department, and an attorney from Kansas City, Kansas. Written support was submitted on behalf of the Kansas Catholic Conference, the Western District Conference of the Mennonite Church, and the Overland Park Police Department. Concern with the bill, as drafted, was expressed by the spokesperson from the Kansas AFL-CIO. Opposition to the bill was expressed by four individuals, one of whom represented the South Central Coalition of Americans Together.

The fiscal note on the original bill indicates that such an estimate would be difficult to obtain.